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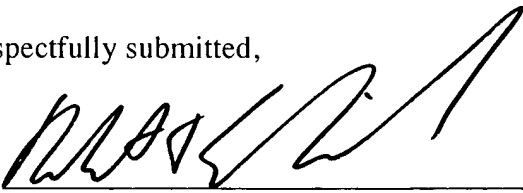
REMARKS:

By this Amendment, claims 1-10 currently pending in the international application have been amended, and new claims 11-20 have been added, all in order to remove multiple dependency and to better present the invention under U.S. rules and practice.

The contents of the priority application Austrian App. Ser. No. GM 460/2003 filed July 1, 2003, and the International Application PCT/AT2004/000235 filed July 1, 2004, are hereby incorporated by reference into this application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication to our Deposit Account No. 50-0305. The Examiner is encouraged to call the attorneys for Applicant(s) at the direct number (312) 845-3919 with any questions that arise in connection with this application.

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